



Capital City Capers

The News Organ of the Capital City Squares

A Founding Member of the IAGSDC

Gearing Up for the Season

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PREPARATIONS ARE moving apace for the start of the new square dance season. Capital City Squares held its 12th anniversary dinner-dance last weekend, another great event beautifully overseen by James Ozanich. Ads have been placed in the local gay newspapers for our new Basic Class. On September 5, we will be dancing at the Rainbow Festival Street Fair and also trying to garner new members at a booth. On September 11, Andy Shore will again call for our New Member Hoedown at the Jefferson School. And new Basic and Plus classes start on Tuesday, September 14, at the Jefferson School..

Prime 8's has also been busy preparing for the new dance season. This advanced level club has reorganized itself for the new year and has made plans for several callers in the next few months. Please see Jeff Barlow's column on page two of this issue.

But no matter what the organizing-powers-that-be do, it all comes down to the individual members of Capital City Squares, Ltd. to make the new season start and continue successfully. It is up to you, our Club members, to recruit friends to give us a try. It is up to you, our Club members to volunteer to work on many of the committees that keep the Club going smoothly. It is up to you, our Club members, to show enthusiasm and to welcome our new members with open arms and friendly faces and demeanors. The Board was elected to make administrative decisions, but it is you, the Club membership, that presents the Club's public (and private) face.

Get involved and have fun!

And C'mon, Let's Dance!

~ September is International Gay Square Dancing Month ~

The CEO Speaks!



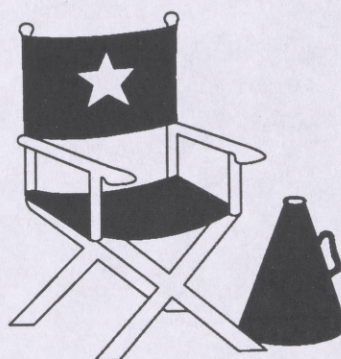
THIS PAST Saturday evening Capital City Squares celebrated its 12th (pearl) anniversary at the Congregation B'nai Israel Social Hall, (another "James Ozanich Flawless Production"). With the festive atmosphere, the fine dinner, the ever popular calling of Bill Eyler (from Albuquerque, NM), the familiar and not so familiar faces from Capital City Squares and the other clubs who joined for the festivities, a good time was had by all. With the exception of the people who were not able to attend, we could not have asked for a better dance.

Although the official starting time was at 6:00, the fun started at about 3:30 when the set-up and decorating crews arrived; sometimes I enjoy this part as much as the dance itself. There was Tom Dubay in the kitchen preparing our Italian buffet dinner, which turned out to be most wonderful. (I myself happened to spot several people making their way back for seconds and even thirds; not to worry, my lips are sealed as to your identities). Thank you Tom for a job well done! There was the Sacramento Men's Chorus setting up their bar providing us with a wonderful assortment of refreshments; they also cleared the tables and helped to clean up at the end of

the evening. Thank you for your help in making this dance a success. It has always been a pleasure being involved with you guys. Then there were the decorating crews which consisted of the balloon people (you know how I love my balloons), the linens people (no finer could be found in any Chinese restaurant...you had to be there) and the frills, pearls, and frufru people who took care of all details. These are the individuals who make these dances the successes they are. What about those dangles—didn't they come out great? Leave it to Rick to come up with something tasteful and understated and that could be worn with almost any outfit. Way to go Rick!

George had on display a mockup of an AIDS panel that he has designed and hopes to have completed for the Sacramento showing September 24, 25 and 26th. George has spent a lot of time and energy on the quilt and it is looking good. It is much appreciated; thanks again.

~ Kas



From the Prime 8's Cage...

THE PRIME 8's held a meeting on August 9, 1993, to discuss our future direction. Present were Art Katz, Bill Tyler, Bob Koski, Cathy Springford, Del Powell, Dennis Moore, George Fox, Greg Friel, Jeff Barlow, Kas Christopher, Mel Silva, Michael Gill, Nancy Skidmore,

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Club History

August 25, 1993

MEMBERS PRESENT were: George, Kas, Rick C., Dennis, Jeff, James, Bill, and THE Hostess, Heidi.

1st Topic—New member Hoedown : The date and location for the new member hoedown has been verified with Jefferson School via Jeff's inquiry/phone call (the secretary at the school had the contract "in Hand".)

2nd Topic—12th Anniversary Dance: Kas reported that our upcoming anniversary dance is all set and everything is falling into place. Preparations have been completed, and James has gotten together a list of members from lists dating back to 1983.

3rd Topic—Tuesday night dancing:: Class schedules will not change from last year's, time-wise. It will be the responsibility of the instructors to keep the schedule tight, e.g., one full level dance during the break, not two, and classes ending on time. It will be the CEO's responsibility to keep the announcements brief and concise so as not to intrude on the class time..

4th Topic—Post cards: George will send post cards to those people who showed interest (by return of cards available there) in square dancing at the Lambda Freedom Fair and (upcoming) Rainbow Festival informing them of and inviting them to the New Member Hoedown on September 11th..

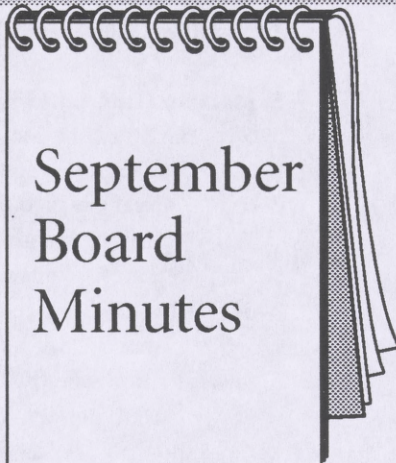
5th Topic—Quilt: George reported that he is hard at work on the Memorial Panel for Cap City

members who have died of AIDS. He reported that there is a bit of a snag on finding facilities to prepare the names for heat transfer once the sections are ready for that.. The pieces are otherwise ready for assembly, and he hopes to have it ready for display at the anniversary dance..

6th Topic—Advertising re.: Gay and Lesbian Film Festival: We will run an ad in the program for the Gay and Lesbian Film Festival, scheduled for October 8th and 9th, for a minimal fee. It was agreed that this opportunity will provide good visibility for our Club within the community.

7th Topic—Rainbow Festival: Capital City Squares will be performing in the tent at Faces on Sunday, September 5th at 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM in conjunction with the Fair and the entertainment. The club will also have a booth set up, scheduled to be in the same prime location as last year. Any members interested in manning the booth or performing on the stage should contact Kas as soon as possible. [Addendum: Confirmation of our booth reservation was received by phone on the 26th. However, due to the Fire Chief wanting the intersection kept clear, last year's spot is unavailable. We will be "placed" on the morning of the event, "at a mutually agreeable location"— George]

8th Topic —IAGSDC bill: CCS has received a bill from the association based on its record of the number of active members in the club. Kas inquired about the number of active members on the ass'n's list. Discussion was again held on the criteria for active member status (e.g., dues structure). The number of active members on the IAGSDC



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list is incorrect. Our records indicate a higher number. The "good faith" payment discussed at the last meeting had not been sent because of the arrival of this bill a week after that meeting. The Board needs to look at our club's records to determine who is considered active as of June 30, this dependent upon payment of annual fee and monthly dues through June of this year.

9th Topic—Business Cards: The club's business cards have arrived (all 1500 of them) and look very nice. A job well done by Bill and Tammy!! Contact any Board member if you wish to obtain some of these most beautiful cards.

10th Topic - The C1 Class The Challenge class set up under the auspices of CCS, LTD., has been finalized and the first class held. There is a minimal cost of this for the club and Jeff has said appropriate funds will be turned over to CCS to cover any costs which may come up.

11th Topic—Capital City Squares Fly-In: Discussion was held as to what to name this event. Several names were tossed about based on the name(s) of the callers. The

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Coming Events

✧ signifies an ostensibly "straight" event

September (International Gay Square Dance Month)

- 3_5 Great Plains Gay Rodeo, Kansas City, MO.
- 3-5 Zia Regional Gay Rodeo, Albuquerque, NM.
- 3-6 "Great Chicago Crossfire V" Fly-In (Sparky Sparks & Sandra Bryant), Chi-Town Squares, Chicago, IL.
- 3-6 ✧ 23rd Dance-A-Rama, Single Square Dancers USA, Valley Forge, PA.
- 5 Rainbow Festival Street Fair, Sacramento, CA. CCS to perform demo square and man a booth. (See Kas for details.)
- 10-12 ✧ PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Anne Uebelacker), Hayward, CA.
- 10-12 Northwest Gay Rodeo, Seattle, WA.
- 11 CCS New Members Hoedown (Andy Shore), Sacramento, CA.
- 11 FCD Barn Dance (Vic Kaaria), S.F. Peninsula, CA.
- 11 Advanced Dance (Anne Uebelacker), Midnight Squares, 7:30-10:30 p.m., Live Oak School, San Francisco, CA.
- 14 CCS new Basic and Plus classes start, Jefferson School, Sacramento, CA.
- 21 Last open night for CCS new Basic Class, Jefferson School, Sacramento, CA.
- 24-25 NAMES Project AIDS Quilt display, Sacramento Community Convention Center, Sacramento, CA.
- 25 San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus with Sacramento Men's Chorus, Crest Theatre, Sacramento, CA.
- 24 30th Anniversary Bradley Family Holiday (That new Bradley girl is a looker!).
- 23-26 Golden State Gay Rodeo, San Diego, CA.
- 24-26 Pikes Peak Gay Rodeo, Colorado Springs, CO.
- 25 WSD Dance (Ben Goldberg), St. Paulus Church, San Francisco, CA.
- 26 Folsom Street Fair, San Francisco, CA.



October

- 1-3 "4th Gay Advanced & Challenge Weekend" Fly-In (Anne Uebelacker, Todd Felleggy, Chris Phillips, others), Portland, OR.
- 1-3 Atlantic Stampede Gay Rodeo, Washington, D.C.
- 1-3 Washington D.C. Fly-In (Mike Jacobs, Pete Diven, Dayle Hodge), Lambda D.C. Squares, Washington, D.C.
- 1-3 ✧ PACE Weekend (John Sybalsky), East Bay, CA.
- 3 Castro Street Fair, San Francisco, CA.
- 8-9 Sacramento Gay Film Festival, Crest Theatre, Sacramento, CA.
- 8-11 "Load the Boat III" Fly-In (Paul Waters & Jeff Barth), Cleveland, OH.
- 8-10 "Chase the Chili" Fly-In (Ray Brendzy), Albuquerque, NM.
- 11 National Coming Out Day
- 16 CCS Dance (Caller TBA), Sacramento, CA.
- 21-24 IGRA Finals Rodeo, Ft Worth, TX.
- 22-23 ✧ Roseville Weekend (Randy Dibble & Dave Stevens), Advanced & Challenge dancing, TNT's, Royer Park, Roseville, CA.
- 22-24 Camp Caz Retreat (Nate Bliss & Terry Kephart), WSD, Way above the Russian River, CA.
- 29-31 "Peel the Pumpkin" Fly-In (Mike Jacobs, Betsy Gotta), Times Squares, New York, NY.
- 29-31 Seattle Fly-In (Anne Uebelacker & Andy Shore), Puddletown, Seattle, WA.

September Birthdays

- 6 Bob Stahmer
- 9 Becca King
- 14 Terry Harwood
- 21 Rich Beddow
- 23 Michael Foft
- 26 David Levy

Coming Events

November

- 5-7 Palm Springs Gay Rodeo, Indio, CA.
- 6 FCD Anniversary Dance, S.F., CA.
- 7 Advanced Dance (Mike DeSisto), Midnight Squares, San Francisco, CA.
- 12-14 ✂ PACE Weekend (George Monahan), Hayward, CA.
- 13 Tinseltown Drive-In (Paul Waters), 3 session event geared for new dancers, Los Angeles, CA.
- 14 1996 Convention Benefit, San Francisco Eagle, San Francisco, CA.
- 19-20 Texas Gay Rodeo, San Antonio, TX.
- 20 CCS Dance (Roger Loney), Sacramento, CA.
- 26-28 ✂ PACE Extravaganza (Dave Hodson, Lee Kopman, Ross Howell, & Lynette McNeil), Oxnard, CA.

December

- 1 World AIDS Awareness Day, Many Cities.
- 3-5 Annual Fly-In (Saundra Bryant & Ray Brendzy) Squares Across the Border, Vancouver, BC.
- 3-5 "Chase Right '93" (Bill Eyler), Neon Squares, Palace Station Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas, NV.
- 4 Dance (Eric Henerlau), Diablo Dancers, Walnut Creek, CA.
- 11 ✂ PACE dance (Jerry Story), morning only, Hayward, CA.

1994

January

- 14-16 "Swing Thru Arizona" Fly-In, Desert Valley Squares, Phoenix, AZ

February

- 12 CCS Workshops & Dance (Jet Roberts), Sacramento, CA.
- 15 CCS Club Night (Ron Libby), Sacramento, CA.
- 18-20 "Star Thru L.A." Fly-In, Tinseltown Squares, Los Angeles, CA.

April

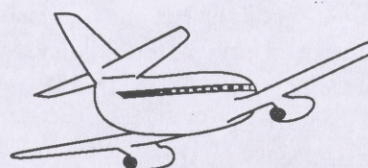
- 8-10 "Pass the Sea" Fly-In, Finest City Squares, San Diego, CA.
- 11-13 ✂ Callerlab Annual Convention, Vancouver, BC.
- 15-17 CCS Fly-In (Johnny Preston & TBA), Guerneville, CA.

June

- 16-18 ✂ 28th National Advanced & Challenge Convention, Virginia Beach, VA.
- 18-25 Gay Games IV "Unity '94," New York City, NY.
- 22-25 ✂ 43rd National Square Dance Convention, Portland, OR.
- 25-30 "Chain Down the Northeast," a series of dances up and down the East Coast, culminating in Washington, DC, at "Stars & Squares Forever."

July

- 1-4 "Stars and Squares Forever," 11th Annual IAGSDC Convention, DC Lambda Squares, Washington, DC.



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Allan (415) 863-8033 Ken (415) 821-0417

MS Midnight Squares

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Dave (408) 241-5813 Randy (415) 961-7504

DD Diablo Dancers

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SOW Sequoia Ocean Waves

Mary Ann & Lyn (707) 444-2775

✂ PACE

Nancy (415) 479-7076 Pete (415) 586-8523

✂ TNT's

Stan & Bill (916) 929-8828

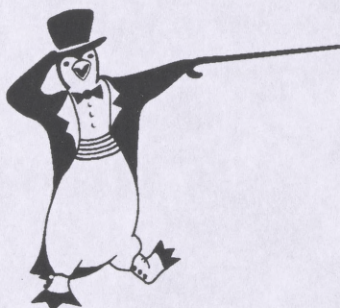
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second caller was discussed with several names thrown into the hat. There is the possibility of limiting the number of participants, because of the limited housing and/or dance space. George offered advisory tips on how to figure pricing and costs for the event. He also mentioned that the contract from Sonoma County for the use of the Vet's Hall will be sent to us in September, once the County schedules are set.

12th Topic—Tahoe Tally Ho! Convention: Discussion on this topic included how far CCS., LTD. should be included in this Advanced/Challenge Fly-in, scheduled for October 1994. This includes such things as income, expenses, and advertising. The basic question asked was this: to what extent should CCS., LTD. be identified with the event. The answers await further investigation on various levels.

13th Topic - Next Board meeting: Scheduled for September 22nd, 7 PM, at Heidi's (the residence also of Bill and Michael).

~ Rick



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Ruth Zasloff, and Tammy Coddington. The following summarizes the decisions made during that meeting.

Because of our current financial situation and because we have finished the A2 class, we are going to stop having a full time caller. We will use tapes part time and strive to have a guest caller every other week. The majority felt that our dancing would benefit from exposure to a variety of callers. Dennis has agreed to schedule callers, and Del will assist him with locating local talent.

We decided to hold a pot luck party at 6:00PM on August 23 at Tammy's house to thank Dick Houlton for his success in livening up our club with so many new members, to celebrate our successfully completing the A2 class, and to thank Tammy for being so generous in allowing us to use her patio for our summer dancing.

We agreed to resume dancing at Jefferson School starting in September.

The dues will be kept at \$15/month for now, but we will revisit this issue in six months. Our long time defacto treasurer Art reiterated that he has always felt that it was more important to keep dancers than to worry about every last dues dollar and that he is willing to make allowances for those who find the dues excessive because of their financial situation. I believe that the majority agree with this philosophy. If the dues are a problem for you, talk to the treasurer.

We decided that we do not want to have a new class right now. It was pointed out that any new class that

we offer should be started in time for the dancers to be ready for the "Tahoe Tally-Ho" Advanced and Challenge fly-in being hosted by our club in October of 1994. This issue will be revisited toward the end of the year.

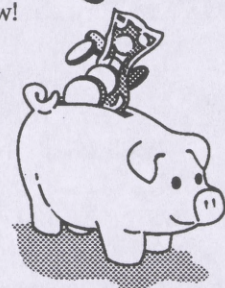
The issue of whether or not Prime 8's should have more of a structure was discussed, and the majority felt that this was a good idea. It was further agreed that there should be a group of three, to be elected on an annual basis, which will make decisions for the club. Elected to these positions were Art Katz, Greg Friel, and Jeff Barlow-Dennis Moore (this last pair having only one vote). These people are to decide among themselves how they will partition responsibility.

Since the meeting, we have arranged the following schedule (all events at Jefferson School):

August 30	Dark
Sept 6	Dark (Labor Day)
Sept 13	Harlan Kerr
Sept 20	Tapes
Sept 27	Rob French and CJ Smith
Oct 4	Ron Hirsh

Finally, I hope that all of these changes will help us make a much better club, with more member enthusiasm. Be sure to keep the "board" members informed about how things are going and any ideas you might have which would improve the club. It's your club, you know!

~ Jeff



September 1993

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			WSD 7:30-9:30 EVRC SF ECR 7:30-9:30 St. Andrew's Church Palo Alto 1	FCD Club Night 7:30-9:30 Live Oak School SF 2	3	4
Rainbow Festival Street Fair, Sacramento 5	Labor Day 6	FCD Class Night 7-9 Live Oak School SF 7	WSD 7:30-9:30 EVRC SF ECR 7:30-9:30 St. Andrew's Church Palo Alto 8	FCD Club Night 7:30-9:30 Live Oak School SF 9	TNT's—Harlan Kerr PACE Nor-Call —Anne Uebelacker 10	CCS New Member Hoedown 7-9:30 Jefferson School PACE Nor-Call —Anne Uebelacker MS —Anne Uebelacker 7:30 11
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Folsom Street Fair SF Leather Weekend MS Live Oak School SF FCD Plus Class + 26	Prime 8's Club Night 7-9 Jefferson School —Rob French & CJ Smith, callers WSD 7:30-9:30 EVRC SF 27	CCS Class Night 6:30-9:30 Jefferson School FCD Class Night 7-9 Live Oak School SF 28	WSD 7:30-9:30 EVRC SF ECR 7:30-9:30 St. Andrew's Church Palo Alto 29	FCD Club Night 7:30-9:30 Live Oak School SF 30		

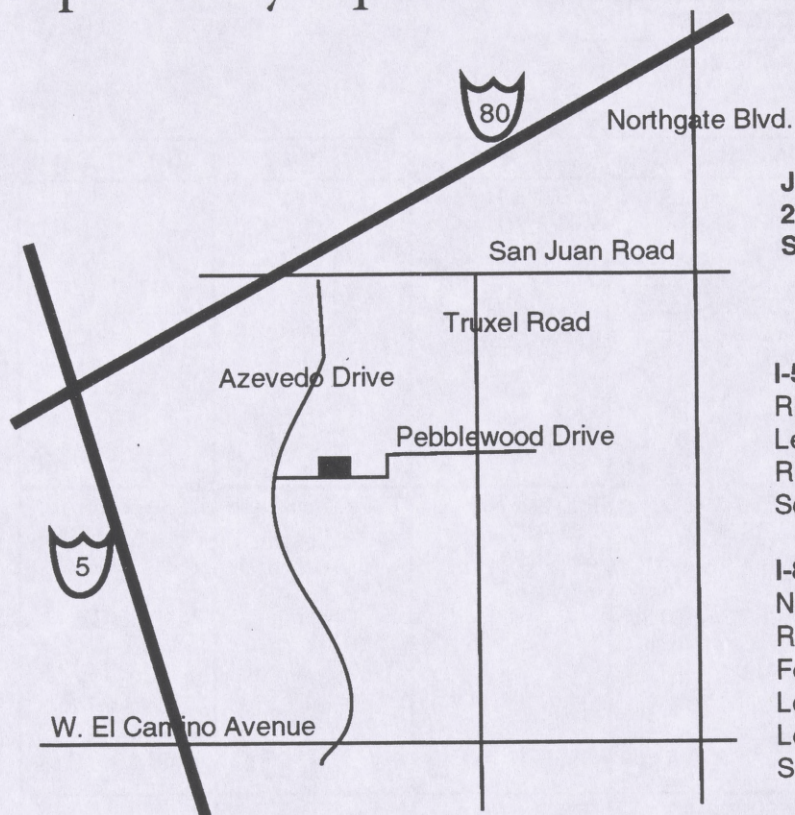
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Capital City Squares dances Tuesdays

Basic/Mainstream 6:30–8:15 p.m.

Plus 8:15–9:30 p.m.

Prime 8's dances Mondays, 7:00–9:30 p.m.



Jefferson Elementary School

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